

# STRIKE MOVE DEFEATED BY STATE LABOR

TO ASK RETRIAL OF  
MOONEY INSTEAD.

## NEW PARTY ISSUE

Minority Report Asks Immediate  
Action by Delegates—Conference  
to Be Held with State Indus-  
trial Accident Commission.

A movement to set aside three days a month for a strike as a remonstrance against the continued imprisonment of Thomas Mooney, failed in the closing session of the State Federation of Labor convention in progress here Saturday, and a substitute for the defeated resolution carried with little opposition, placing the convention on record as anxious to proceed along legitimate lines to secure a new trial for Mooney. In this connection, it was decided that a telegram should be sent to the national capital, asking President Wilson to obtain another hearing for the prisoner.

Several hours of the afternoon were used in the discussion of the resolution for a "land and labor" party. A majority report handed in by the resolutions committee, asked that the matter be left to a convention which will be called for that purpose in January, while a minority report had as its object putting the convention on record as endorsing the proposed political party while leaving the organization to the January convention.

F. E. Coulter, of Portland, was the principle speaker for the minority report, urging that the convention should not pass up the opportunity of initiating a movement which, he declared, will spread over the entire nation.

**Plan Compensation Change.**  
Concurring in a recommendation made by William A. Marshall, chairman of the State Industrial Commission, the convention ordered that the executive board and the committee on laws and legislation make a careful study of the existing statutes relative to workmen's compensation, later to confer with the commission as to a definite program of legislation. The action was taken during the morning session, after the laws and legislation committee had made proposals for the enactment of laws which would increase the rate of compensation in view of increased living cost and which would abolish private industrial hospitals. The securing of quicker action in the making of payments was also an aim of the committee.

Mr. Marshall pointed out that if

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carefully gone into a program could be formulated which would have employers, employees, and the state commission behind it, and which would have little prospect of defeat.

Shortly before adjourning at noon, the delegates, on the motion of A. N. Vail, of Portland, unanimously voted that a telegram be sent to the President Wilson, expressing the regret of the federation at the president's illness, and the hope of the delegates for his early recovery.

**La Grande Wins Convention.**  
Considerable time was devoted in the morning to the matter of employment of a state organizer, in order that the scope of the labor movement might be widened.

Terminating a hotly argued contest, in which the relative merits of La Grande and Pendleton were at issue, delegates from the Union county seat in attendance at the state federation of labor convention here, won the election for the 1920 convention city by a vote of 55 to 37. Astoria, whose representatives, early in the convention had preferred their claims for the honor, dropped out of the race and divided their support between the two chief contesting cities.

**"One Big Union" Sidetracked.**  
An attempt to change entirely the basic principles underlying organized labor through a resolution endorsing the "one big union" plan, was neatly sidetracked when the measure was tabled by a vote of 37 to 26. A motion for non-concurrence had previously been lost. A resolution upholding the doctrine of self-determination introduced by G. H. Baker and others, of Bend, carried as did a recommendation to encourage the disemployment of married women.

Nearly an hour was taken up in heated debate over a resolution having as its object placing the convention on record as favoring the six hour day. Chief among the arguments used against the measure was that it would be inimical to the farming interests. That a shorter working day would provide a greater amount of employment and would not hamper production on account of increased efficiency.

were the chief arguments used by the backers of the measure.

**Free Text Books Asked.**  
Featuring the business of the morning was the passage of a resolution handled through the laws and legislation committee asking the furnishing of free text books for the public schools of the state, and one suggesting a change in existing laws to provide for the gradual adoption of a state owned plant to make possible the laying of hard surfaced roads at cost. Discussion of resolutions calling for indorsement of the "land and labor" party, single tax, and employment insurance, are scheduled to come up in tomorrow morning's session.

Coming as a surprise to many was the refusal of E. J. Stack, for the past seven years secretary-treasurer of the state federation, to consider nomination for re-election. Mr. Stack declared that he needed a rest and said that he would not be willing to run again for office. He was prevailed upon, however, to allow his name to be used when nominations for delegates to the American Federation of Labor convention were called for.

**Officers Nominated.**  
Nomination for offices in the federation are as follows:

President—Otto R. Hartwig, of Portland; H. A. Stuart, of Portland. Vice-president—Frank Hannon, of Portland; D. E. Nickerson, of Portland.

Secretary-Treasurer—R. F. Geist, of Portland; W. E. Kimsey, of Portland.

Executive Board Members (one for each city)—Arthur Brock; W. R. McWade, M. Provo, A. H. Stein, of Portland; C. L. Utter, Astoria; G. H. Baker, Bend; George Dunmeyer, Oregon City; R. J. Cotner, La Grande; Sandy McLean, Pendleton.

Fraternal Delegate to Washington State Federation of Labor convention—Jack Rosen, of Astoria; Mrs. L. Gee, of Portland; Frank Curtis, of Portland.

Fraternal Delegate to Farmer's Union—O. E. Hibbs, Portland; Alex Manning, Pendleton; F. E. Coulter, Portland.

Delegate to State Grange—C. C. Bossinger, Portland; W. G. Lynn, Portland.

Delegate to A. F. of L. Convention—E. J. Stack, Portland; Frank Goldrainer, of Portland; I. V. McAdoo, of Bend.

Election will be by referendum, probably within the next 30 days.

At the close of the nominations, the convention went on record as opposing the deportation of Hindus, and the secretary was authorized to wire the secretary of labor to this effect.

### CIRCULATION AUDIT MADE FOR BULLETIN

Representing the Audit Bureau of Circulations, W. A. Bartlett of Chicago was in Bend Saturday inspecting the circulation records of The Bulletin. Reports issued by the bureau give figures as to the exact paid circulation of papers using their service, showing the value of a paper as a medium of publicity.

## PEACE TREATY TO BE DEBATED

CHINESE PROBLEM TO  
BE CONSIDERED.

Bend May Meet Princeville in November—Class in Debate Starts

Work for New Year with  
Several New Aspirants.

The question selected for debate, and information relative to the districting of the state for debating purposes, came from R. W. Prescott, of the State University, secretary of the State High School Debating League this week. The question assigned this district is: "Resolved, that the United States should ratify no treaty by which China is despoiled of the Shantung Peninsula."

There is room for much study and argument on this question, and as it deals with a subject much disputed among some of the leading men in this country and abroad, it is hoped that it will arouse a great deal of interest and enthusiasm among the debaters.

The counties in this district are: Deschutes, Crook, Jefferson, Sherman, Wasco and Hood River. All of these will probably not be represented by a debate team however. In fact Crook County high school is the only school in Central Oregon besides Bend that has announced its intention of entering the state league this year. This being the case, Princeville will very likely be Bend's first opponent.

The first debate will be held some time in November, and the assignment of sides will not be made until two or three weeks before the debate occurs.

The class in debate in the Bend high school has been meeting for more than two weeks, and the students have already begun to study the question. The members of the class are: Bill Williams, Merle Miller, Vern Kief and Julia Kennedy. Bend ought to have a winning team this year as Williams was a member of the team last year that made second place for Bend in the state league, and there are a number of capable debaters in the high school.

### CLOTHING NEEDED BY THE RED CROSS

That used clothing is needed by the Bend chapter of the American Red Cross was the declaration on Saturday of Mrs. V. A. Forbes, home service secretary. Any persons who can assist in this matter are asked to leave bundles of clothing at Mrs. Forbes office in the First National Bank building.

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### PROGRESS FORESEEN

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and Politics Feature in Ad-  
dresses of Evening.

For the first time in the history of the state, members of an Oregon Federation of Labor convention sat down at the same table with the business men and mayor of a city when the banquet given for the delegates to the state labor meeting, in progress here, was held at the Pilot Butte in Thursday night. A long program of addresses, in which both business and labor were represented, was presented by G. H. Baker, of the Bend Central Labor council, the toastmaster, and the affair, which began shortly before 10 o'clock, did not reach its end until after 2 o'clock on Friday. More than 150 visiting delegates and their guests were present.

Asserting that he has never presided over a convention so full of hope, progress and good judgment as the one being held here, President Otto R. Hartwig, of the federation, reiterated his promise that the labor movement will set a mark in Oregon that every square man may follow, confident that it will mean the betterment of all mankind.

### Sees Safety in Organization.

"Organized labor is the safety valve of the world," he said. "If it were not for this, we would be in the throes of a violent and bloody revolution today. Radicalism exists in exact proportion to the existence of causative conditions, and if the business men of the country are anxious to see it decrease, they will see to it that individuals who are halting the march of progress are swept aside." In this statement, Mr. Hartwig referred to Judge Gary, of the United States Steel corporation, declaring that men of his type are endangering the entire social fabric of the world.

"Passing the Buck on the High Cost of Living," was the subject chosen by L. W. Buck, secretary-treasurer of the Washington Federation of Labor. He maintained that the cost of living is not the result of high wages, but that high wages are necessitated by the living cost. He pleaded for a spirit of tolerance in industrial affairs, and in touching briefly on the subject of radicalism asserted that the only way to keep men from agitating against grievances is to remove those grievances.

### Cut Consumption, Hoff's Advice.

Frank Hannan of Portland, vice president of the Oregon federation, commented on the progressive spirit shown in Bend, and Arthur Brock of Salem, reverting to the high cost of living, gave his belief that this is caused by too many people obtaining a living without rendering an adequate return to society.

State Treasurer O. P. Hoff had another theory for the solution of high costs. "You must increase production, or decrease consumption, if you would cut prices," he argued. "Every time you buy more than you need you boost prices. Buy just what you need and no more, and prices will soon take a drop."

### Burdick Attacked.

W. G. Lynn, of the legislative committee of the federation, told of the last session of the state legislature, and in so doing took occasion to launch a bitter attack against the Deschutes county member of the house. He asserted that after pledging his support to a certain labor measure, the Central Oregon lawmaker changed his vote, and after the decision on the measure was a foregone conclusion again reverted to his original stand. William A. Daizel, deputy sealer of weights and measures, urged the adoption in politics of the slogan, "Labor Never Forgets," constantly referred to during the remainder of the evening by succeeding speakers.

**Irrigation Address Asked.**  
Mayor J. A. Eastes told his appreciation of the visit of the dele-

gates, and desired that this city might be chosen for a future convention before the lapse of many years. H. J. Overturf, of the Commercial club entertainment committee, asked that a 10-minute address from some local man be permitted at the convention on the subject of irrigation. Following a favorable vote, T. H. Foley, president of the Commercial club, appointed Mr. Overturf and R. A. Ward to talk on the two principal phases of the subject at today's session. The first appointee, however, resigned, leaving the entire address to be given by Mr. Ward.

Among others called on during the evening were H. M. Lorentsen of Astoria, who spoke on remedial legislation for the salmon industry, and Dan Brown of La Grande, Mrs. L. Gee of Portland, D. E. Nickerson of Portland, C. P. Wilson of Pendleton, R. F. Geist of Portland, Deputy Labor Commissioner W. H. Fitzgerald of Salem, R. V. Sifton of Portland, Mrs. E. Wigmore of the Grange Hall district, Miss Beale Smith of Portland and Arthur Dale of Portland.

### WOMAN SHOTS SELF, WOUND IS NOT FATAL

Mrs. Olga Power Able to Call Physi-  
cian After Firing Shot from  
Revolver.

Mrs. Olga Power, residing in Kenwood, shot herself with a revolver early on Saturday, inflicting a not serious flesh wound. She had still sufficient strength to reach the telephone and call a physician, and it was reported today that she is not in danger. Mrs. Power has been in poor health for several years past, it is said.

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